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Attempt to Blow Up George's Island in Halifax Harbor.

A Fuse Prepared for a Big Tank With Tons of Gun-Cotton.

Soldiers on Guard Were Asleep, but de Child Gave the Alarm.

The Island is Said to Be the Most Strongly Fortified Spot in the World, and is Stored With Immense Supplies of Ammunition-If the Plot Had Been Successful the Loss of Life and Property Would Have Beer Appalling - The Plotters of Destruction Escape and There is No Clue to Them.

ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD. I HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 9.—Intense excitement prevails among the Imperial military officers over what appears to be a deliberate attempt last night to blow up the gun-cottor tank at George's Island.

Double guards are patrolling the fortifica tions, and orders have been given to watch all wharves for men attempting to land and to search all vessels in the harbor. It has been snowing all night so that during the hours of darkness it was impossible to see more than a few yards ahead.

In the centre of Halifax Harbor stands George's Island. It is the most strongly fortified spot in the world; it not only commands the city, but sweeps the entrance to the harbor and northwest arm; it is not only the jaws of death, but also the mouth of hell to any engine of war attempting to enter Hal-

It is armed with 80 and 100 ton guns, and upon it is stored the largest portion of the immense supplies of torpedoes, gun cotton, powder, shells and other ammunitions of war for which Halifax is the depot for North America. The island is about an sere in extent.

On its northeast shore is sunk a large tank, in which several tons of gun cotton is stored -enough to blow all Halifax to eternal smash. No one is allowed upon or in the vicinity of the island upon any pretext whatever except that of duty.

In the midst of the snowstorm at 10 o'clock last night the little daughter of the sergeant in charge thought she overheard men talking. She went to the door of her quarters and standing upon the gun-cotton tank, she heard three men talking. She called to them, but they took no notice of her.

Then she raised an alarm. Some soldiers were called out and rushed towards the tank. The soldiers were some little distance off, and hearing them coming, two of the men jumped into a boat, whereupon the third man shouted out: "Don't leave me in the man shouted out: Don't leave me in the lurch after doing your dirty work." He made a spring for the boat, got in, and they got their boat several yards from the spot got their boat several yards from the spot be obtained. ment later the boat was hidden by the falling snow. The soldiers being roused out of bed, hadn't their rifles with them, and conse-

quently could not bring the intruders to information conveyed to Gen. Lord Alexan der Russell and staff. Gen. Russell ordered all the wharves to be guarded, all vessels searched and double guards to patrol the island all night. A special guard is also sta tioned at the gun-cotton tank.

was to bore an auger hole through the cover of the gun-cotton tank and insert a fuse.

If this had been accomplished, not only George's Island, with its magnificent fortifi-cations, but all the ships in the harbor and two-thirds of Halifax Harbor must have been destroyed. It would have been the most tremendous and terrible explosion of modern times, while the loss of life would have been

There is not the slightest clue to the mer who originated or attempted to carry out the plot. Their plans had been carefully prepared and escape was easy. Nor is there any satisfactory explanation of the motive for an attack which, if successful, surely meant death to hundreds of people and incalculable loss to property.

Another thing that people hereabouts would like to have explained is how the men even approached-much less obtained a footholdon the Island without attracting the attention of the guard. It is dreadful to think of what might have happened but for the watchfulness of the Sergeant's little daughter. She is the heroine of the hour.

TRIED TO BEAT HIS BRAINS OUT. Attempted Suicide by an Insano Prisoner

a Station-House. Joseph Hall, who was arrested at 25 East Broadway last night as an insane person, tried to kill himself in his cell in the Madison street station-house.

Early this morning, Doorman Henry

Herlich visited the cell and found him lying on the floor unconscions and bleeding from a wound in his head.

Hall had, while not under watch, struck his head repeatedly against the wall with the evident desire to beat his brains out. He was badly injured.

His wound was dressed and he was cared for in the Bellevue Insane Pavillon.

Dempsey-Rengan Choose Stevenson. makers met this afternoon in the Police Gazette office, and agreed upon Frank Stevenson as referee in their fight for the middle-weight championship of the world. The contest will take place in a few days.

DUPED BY MRS. LA TOUCHE.

Another Complaint Made at Jefferson Mar-

Marion La Touche, the daring financière of many aliases, had to stay in a cold cell at Jefferson Market Prison all through last night and this morning. Big mustached Royal La Touche, who enacts the part of Rawdon Crawley to his wife's rôle of Becky Sharp, hurried all over town in a desperate effort to get bail, but without success.

Mrs. La Touche took the situation philosophically, however, and kept up her dignity and good spirits. She had expensive meals brought in from a well-known caterer's establishment and did full justice to them.

In order to make a creditable appearance in court at her examination in the afternoon. she caused her maid to bring her a dress of

she caused her maid to bring her a dress of moire silk trimmed with fine lace and an elaborate feathered bonnet.

Royal La Touche visited the fair prisoner before breakfast, and conversed earnestly with her on the ways and means of getting out of the clutches of the law, but for the rest of the day the gallant man's attention was entirely taken up with his own affairs.

Mrs. S. B. McIntyre, the landlady of 165 West Twenty-third street, where Mrs. La Touche had her elegantly appointed office, notified the man of the black mustache that he and his wife must remove their effects e and his wife must remove their effects

he and his wife must remove their effects forthwith.

After the dreadful disclosures that the police had made as to the character of her tenants, Mrs. McIntyre said that she could not think of keeping either Mr. or Mrs. La Touche under her roof.

The owners of the office building, 36 Pine street, where Mr. La Touche did an ostensible business as an advertising agent, also notified him to quit, so his own troubles engrossed his attention.

Inspector Byrnes feels that his prisoner is likely to escape the greater part of her deserved punishment through the unwillingness of the greater number of her victims to come forward and prosecute.

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Many of these fashionable ladies, the Inspector says, were operating without the knowledge of their husbands, and others fear that it would injure them socially if they made their speculations known in a police court.

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Mrs. H. M. Stack and Mrs. Grenier, who went to the Inspector in the first instance, have decided to pocket their losses quietly. They will not appear against Mrs. La Touche.

Ex-Senator Thomas F. Grady, who has been hired as counsel by Mrs. La Touche, says that he will prove that, despite his client's past record, her dealings with Mrs. Clara A. Johnson, the complainant in this case, were fair and above board.

He produces the following letter to Alfred Cara & Co., brokers, in Mrs. Johnson's handwriting;

40 LEXINGTON AVENUE, Oct, 17, 1887.

DEAR SIRS: I send you with this note \$150. Please place the same to my credit for the purpose of trading in stocks. I shall give my orders in stocks from Mrs. Dow's rooms. Please send me stock receipts care of Mrs. Marion L. Dow. Yours, truly CLARA ALMA JOHNSON.

Ex-Senator Grady claims that this letter shows that Mrs. Johnson was not duped at all, but speculated and lost in the usual

all, but speculated and lost in the usual way.

More dupes of Mrs. La Touche are coming forward. In the Jefferson Market Court this afternoon, while Mrs. Johnson was awaiting the coming of Judge Gorman, Mrs. Granier, a widow, with a little baby boy about a year-old, walked inside the railing.

About a month ago Mrs. Garnier invested \$300 with Mrs. La Touche, getting in return a receipt signed by Alfred Carr, a banker in Pine street. Mrs. Garnier was promised interest on her money from \$20 to \$60 per month.

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Yesterday, when she read in The World the story of Mrs. La Touche's doings, she went to Mr. Carr to demand her money.

After some figuring Mr. Carr handed over

\$115. "And the rest of my \$300," cried the widow, "and the interest?"

When Mr. Carr was reproached, he said that he had acted honestly in the case, and had always believed Mrs. La Touche an hon-

est woman.

Mrs. Garnier visited Mrs. La Touche in her Jefferson Market cell this morning, but could get no satisfaction.

PLAYING NURSE TO ROB.

James Williams Accused of Planning Thef While Attending a Sick Man.

Capt. Westervelt, of the Grand Central Depot squad, called at Police Headquarters this morning and told of the capture, by Patrolman McMahon of his precinct, of a burglar named James Williams. The man is invented a clever scheme.

A few days ago he was employed by Mrs. Carrie Hunter, of 106 East Forty-fifth street Carrie Hunter, of 106 East Forty-fifth street to attend a sick relative. Williams did not do his work satisfactorily, being engaged for the most part in examining the contents of closets and the like and was dismissed.

Last night he forced his way into the house through a rear window and, being acquainted with the interior, had no difficulty in finding Mrs. Hunter's valuable wrap, worth nearly \$8100, which was in a closet on the second floor.

He made his exit, but before he had gone far he was captured by Patrolman McMahon with the stolen property in his possession.

WORLD reporter to-day.

Dr. Alfred Loomis, father of the speaker, is Sharp's consulting physician, and his son has been attending to the patient from day

has been accession to day.

Dr. H. P. Loomis also informed the reporter that Sharp had shown signs of improvement immediately after his release from Ludlow Street Jail, but afterwards became weaker, and is now only able to move a little about his apartments in West Twenty-third

Street.

The coaffmement in isil during the hot weather last summer told greatly on the old man's system, the Doctor said, and rapidly reduced his strength.

May Manage Boodler Keenan's Hotel. Mr. R. H. Southgate, of the Hotel Brunswick, was asked this morning if it were true that he had

made application for the management of the Windsor Hotel, in Montreal, of which Boodler John Keenan is one of the stockholders.

Mr. Southwate said: "It was news to me, as I have not made a formal offer to the directorship for the management of the hotel. I had some conversation with and wrote a letter to one of the largest stockholders on the subject, but was told that nothing would be considered until after the election of officers. I think they ought to lease the hotel. made application for the management of the

MOST OUT ON BAIL AGAIN.

THE DISTRICT-ATTORNEY CONSENTS TO A \$5,000 BOND ON APPEAL.

Judge Lawrence Disposed to Keep Him in Jail-The Habeas Corpus Proceedings Withdrawn-The Anarchist Puzzled by the Goings on in Court-Followed to His Office by a Crowd of Men and Boys.

Counsellor William F. Howe obtained from Judge Donohue yesterday a writ of habeas corpus for Herr Johann Most to be returned before Judge Lawrence to-day in Supreme Court, Chambers. The purpose of the writ was to fix bail for Most pending the appeal of his case to the General Term.

At 10.30 o'clock to-day, Officer Downey, of the Tombs, took Most to the big Court-House. Most was handcuffed to Charles Lenartski, a Pole, who is unfortunately claimed by two women as husband, and is now the subject of criminal proceedings for

Most whiled away the time before his case was called by making a speech on American injustice. Finally Mr. Howe got the eye of the Judge who looks like Henry Watterson, and moved for the admission of Most to bail in \$2,000, reading Judge Cowing's certificate which stated that there are very reasonable doubts of the propriety of the conviction of Most on the evidence.

Mr. Howe stated that Most's bail was \$1,500 before trial and that the District-Atterney thought \$2,000 enough now, in view of Judge Cowing's certificate.

Assistant District-Attorney Purdy assented and added: "It wouldn't be a very great calamity to the country if Most should clear out and forfeit his bail."

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Judge Lawrence was not pleased. He said so, and added emphatically, viciously chucking a legal paper, which he had just signed, at his clerk:

"I don't consent. It is not, because a convicted criminal has been given a stay, a matter of right that he should 'of course' be admitted to bail. I must look at the papers. I won't act now. Besides, the written consent of the District-Attorney is not here."

For a moment Mr. Howe was nonplused. He hurried out to obtain the consent of District-Attorney Martine, and soon returned with it and announced that fact triumphantly. Only the best he could do was to obtain the agreement of Mr. Martine to \$5.000 bail.

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Judge Lawrence was not yet satisfied to let Most go free, and said: "Now, I will examine the papers."

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Mr. Howe did not pass them up. He simply erased the writ order, and thus withdrew the matter from court.

The fact was, that as the District-Attorney consented to bail, Judge Lawrence's action was not needed. Most was walked back to the Tombs, dazed and unable to understand how matters stood.

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Mrs. Ida Hoffman, the red-haired Anarchist of Seventh street, had presented herself at the District-Attorney's office, accompanied by a tall, rather pretty young woman, who wore a capitalistic seal sacque and a perfect love of a bonnet.

Mrs. Hoffman wanted to be Most's surety. She justified in \$23,000, making affidavit to the ownership of that amount of property.

Judge Cowing was the judge who signed the papers releasing Most, and then the 7 by 9 terror stalked out of the court-room with an air of triumph.

He received an ovation at the Chambers street exit from two hundred boys and half as many men and women. He immediately became the head of a procession, which augmented in size as it went.

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Most was flanked on either side by a hireling of the capitalistic press, and he
harangued them as he walked in a voice of a

haranguest the house burst bellows.

He said he would go straight to the office of his paper, Frsikel, and write some editorials and his eyes flashed and glittered like those

and his eyes fiashed and glittered like those of a captured coon.

The 110 pound "destroyer of the social fabric" was evidently much tickled at the notice he was receiving from a curious public. But The World reporter saw the same sort of notice paid to Mr. Crowley and his fiancee, Miss Florence McCarthy, at the Central Park Arsenal the other day, when the estimable visitors from Chimpanzee land gave a reception and house, warming in their new resition and house-warming in their new resi

dence.
Most stubbed along with a bundle of sausages under one arm and a bundle of papers under the other, The World being conspicuously on the outside of his bundle. A crowd of fully one thousand people say the little man disappear up the rickety stairway to his office and then separated.

WAITERS READY TO KETALIATE.

Talk of Prosecuting Employers for Bla listing Members of Their Unions. Peter Stops, the "controller" or agent of

the Waiters' Unions, called at the Tombs Police Court this morning, and informed the Justice that he was ready to answer the charge of conspiracy preferred by Bimberg & Co., proprietors of Nilsson Hall, who allege that Stops called out their waters and other halls.

far he was captured by Patrolman McMahon with the stolen property in his possession.

SHARP'S DAYS ARE NUMBERED.

The Old Man's Death Expected by His Physicians Any Time.

"I shall not be surprised to hear of the death of Jacob Sharp at any moment, and it is a question of a short time only when he must pass away," said Dr. H. P. Loomis to a Wong reporter to-day.

that Stops called out their waiters and other waiters are complainants the matter was continued until this afternoon. The Waiters' Unions have taken steps to defend their delegate and declare their in tention of prosecuting some of the leading members of the Park and Ballroom Proprietors' Association for conspiracy in black-listing union waiters.

The unions have issued a circular giving a list of union and non-union meeting halls, was allowed by the property of the property of the park and Ballrooms and property in this possession.

WEDDED IN COURT.

John Straining Avoids the Penalty of Abduc tion by Marrying the Girl.

John Straining's name was on the calendar of Part III. of the Court of General Sessions to-day and opposite the charge "Abduction." He pleaded guilty and sentence was sus-

He pleaded guilty and sentence was suspended npon his agreeing to marry the agrieved person, Mannie Sullivan, a good-looking girl not yet sixteen years of age, though looking twenty.

Her father's consent was obtained as was also that of Elbridge T. Gerry, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Judge Gildersleeve tied the nuptial knot this afternoon.

No Intention of Flooding Hecia Mine.

ferecial to the world. 1
Detroit, Dec. 9.—A reliable correspondent, telegraphing from Calumet this morning, says he is told by the officers of the mine that there is no intention of flooding the Calument and Heela mine, it not being considered necessary, as there is an ampie supply of enemicals on hand and no smoke is lessing from the shaft when temporarily opened.

SLICK MR. HARRIS CAUGHT.

Thiof With a Faculty for Getting Out of Yankee Jalls.

Inspector Byrnes has got William Harris alias Pratt, alias Hurley, in the toils and will send him to Hartford, where he is wanted for

Harris is one of the smartest pickpocket Harris is one of the smartest pickpockets and shoplifters in the country, and boasts that prison bars have not yet been made strong enough to resist his efforts at escape. Once a respectable druggist in Boston, he preferred a life of crime and sold out his store and began picking pockets, at which he was very successful.

His most conspicuous crime was a bold attempt to blackmail Walter Malley, of New Haven, in connection with the murder of pretty Jennie Cramer at Savin Rock. Harris claimed to have in his possession a number

pretty Jennie Cramer at Savin Rock. Harris claimed to have in his possession a number of incriminating letters written by Malley to Blanche Douglass, and demanded \$10,000 as the price of silence.

He was arrested, spent several months in the Tombs and was discharged, Malley declining to prosecute.

On Wednesday last Harris was taken from the jail in Hartford to the Superior Court of that city to answer to an indictment for petit larceny.

The officer advanced to the bench to announce that all the prisoners were safe in the "pen," when a noise startled everybody, and Harris was seen escaping over the side of the "pen," and through a window to the

the "pen," and through a window to the yard.

A squad of officers gave pursuit, but Harris dodged his pursurers and escaped. That night he arrived in this city.

A telegram was sent to Inspector Byrnes, who examined his gallery, found a picture of Harris and his record, and instructed Sergeant Detectives Crowley and McGuire to bring him in.

The detectives visited the old haunts of the thief, found him in a famous resort for crooks in Rivington street, near the Bowery, and at 2 o'clock this morning he was safe in a subterranean cell at Police Headquarters. He was cool, and when Inspector Byrnes told him he would be returned to Hartford he smiled and said:

"That's all right, Inspector. It is your duty to send me back and it is for the officers there to keep me."

"I shall send you away in handcuffs," said the Inspector.

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"That's all right, too," answered Harris.

"I've got away from them before, and I'll do it again, and don't you forget it."

Harris has had an eventful career and proudly boasts of being a slick thief. His picture is No. 1,650 in the Rogue's Gallery, In 1878 he committed his first crime of picking pockets at Martha's Vineyard, and was put away for three years.

In 1881 he tried his unsuccessful blackmail game on Walter Malley.

In 1882 he was given a year in Boston for shoplifting, and immediately upon his release did some more of the same kind of business in Lynn, Mass.

He was sentenced for a year in the prison at Ipswich, and two months thereafter sawed off the bars of his window and escaped.

In a few weeks he was nabbed and was returned to Ipswich. But again he escaped, this time with the aid of a false key he had manufactured. Then he went to Chicago.

Inspector Byrnes sent out a description of him and he was recaptured and again returned to Ipswich to serve out the unfinished term.

In September last Harris made a raid on New Britain, Conn., breaking into a store and stealing a lot of clothing, which he shipped to Hartford. He was arrested and indicted three times, and made his escape for the third time in his criminal career.

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FOR HE IS NOT AN ENGLISHMAN.

Newspaper Sketch of Himself. SEPECIAL TO THE WORLD I DETROIT, Dec. 9.-When Don Manuel Dickinson, whose fate as a nominee for the Postmaster-Generalship, is hanging in the United States Senate, saw the sketch and portrait of himself which recently appeared in the Chi-

himself which recently appeared in the Chicago Tribune, his handsome side whiskers stood out like the "quills upon the fretful porcupine."

To a reporter he said: "Look at that. I am willing to forgive them for that caricature of myself, which they put in as a portrait, but when they state that my father was born in Nottingham. England, I consider myself personally outraged. My father's ancestors back to 1832 were all born in this country. My father's father was with Washington during the Revolutionary war, and my great-grandfather was with Wolfe on the Plains of Abraham. My father is now dead, and if there is anything that would make him turn in his grave it would be this statement that he was an Englishman."

BROKER M'CLAVE SUSPENDS.

He Trusted His Customers, and When They Lost He Had to Pay.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 9.-William McClave, stock and grain broker, came to Paterson short time ago and opened an office in the Hobart Building. At first he did a large and what was considered a profitable business. Of late, however, there were stories in circu-lation that his suspension was a matter of a very short time.

lation that his suspension was a matter of a very short time.

Yesterday closed with the announcement of his suspension. It is said that his mistake was giving credit to some of his customers, and that in consequence when their speculations were unsuccessful the loss fell on him. It is said that a great sensation would be created in Paterson if the names of his customers were made public, as they include men who have the reputation of being averse to gambling.

Dividing the Carter Child's Time.

ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD, I CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The famous fight for posses sion of the son and heir of Leslie Carter was de-cided in Judge Jamison's court this morning. The Judge ordered that the child be given to the relatives of the respective parents during alternate mouths. The little fellow is now in the care of Mrs. Dudley, Mrs. Carter's mother, and he will remain there until 1888. In January he goes to his aunt, Miss Helen Carter.

George Weldier, convicted of killing Dr. Edward H. Duggan, will be sentenced next Friday.

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B. Gumbecht, a tailor, of 73 Summer avenue, Brookin, has reported to the police that about 8 o'clock last evening, while his two boys were returning nome with six ulsters, in man tripped the younger one up, and taking one of the coats made his escape.

During a quarrel last night between Alexander Montgomery and his wife Maggie, at their home, 16 Nassau avenue, Brookin, Alexander received a serious wound in the abdomen by a carving knife in the hands of his wife. Mrs. Montgomery was arrested and held for trial.

A borse and buggy belonging to C. W. Colver.

A horse and buggy belonging to C. W. Colyer, of Jamaica avenue, valued at \$100, were stolen from the corner of Giennore and Vermont avenues, Brooklyn, on Dec. 6. Lest evening, John Fichter, of \$29 Broadway, was arrested on suspicion of being the culprit. He will be held for grand larceny.

During a quarrel new see his parents this morning at 171 Harrison avenue, Brooklyn, John Hope, thirty-one years old, sided with his mother, and, selzing a tin can, beat his stepfather over the head, inflicting a serious scalp wound. When arrested, John said that his helpfather was beating his mother and he interfered,

PUGILIST AND PRINCE.

Sullivan and Wales Meet at the West End Club.

Delighted to Meet Each Other and Both Take a Drink.

John Takes a Little Rye While His Royal Highness is Satisfied with a "Lemon Squash"-The Prince Tells How He Re ceived His Baptismai Black Eye-He Declines to Box with the Boston Man.

LONDON, Dec. 9-His Majesty John Lawrence Sullivan, of Boston, the King of Pugilism, and His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales met this afternoon at the West End

The fact that these representatives of American and English greatness were to know each other has been talked about for several weeks, and no little interest centred on the outcome of the meeting.

Harry Phillips and another American sport. ing man were with the man of muscle, and Marquis Beresford, Charles Beresford-he of Condor fame-Lords Northbrook and Mandeville accompanied the man of hearts.

The meeting was notable for its cordiality. The King of England that is to be was very affable, and in a happy way told John how he received his baptismal black eye, and then asked the pugilist to "put a name on it.

Sullivan said : Rye. The Prince, evidently wanting to set a good example, ordered a "lemon squash." But

John had ordered rye, and rye he drank. Mr. Sullivan was not at all arrogant, and in a spirit of playfulness informed His Royal Highness that if he had only fallen into better hands he might have been a fighter.

After a season of pleasant conversation the men parted with mutual expressions of amity and admiration. Capt. Knollys, aide-de-camp, suggested that

the Prince allow Mr. Sullivan to punish him every morning instead of a bag. At this suggestion the big fellow highly delighted, but he was doomed to disappointment, for the Prince demurred, saying he was too old now to box.

M. FALLIERES WILL TRY NOW. President Carnot Asks Him to Make Up a

Cabinet-The Sinte. SPECIAL CABLE TO THE WORLD. Parts, Dec. 9 .- After the visit of M. Goblet to the Elysee this morning, at which time he announced his inability to form a new Cabinet, President Carnot sent for M. Fallieres and asked him to undertake the forma tion of a new Ministry. M. Fallieres accepted, and the following is believed to be

M. Fallieres, Minister of the Interior.

M. Rouvier, Minister of Posts, Telegraphs and Finance.

M. Flourens, Minister of Foreign Affairs. M. Baihaut, Minister of Public Works. M. Faye, Minister of Justice.

M. Ferron, Minister of War. M. Barbey, Minister of Marine,

M. Siegfried, Minister of Commerce

M. Spuller, Minister of Public Instruction CONCERNING THE RUMORS OF WAR.

Ominous News from Vienna. [SPECIAL CABLE TO THE WORLD.]

LONDON, Dec. 9. — Concerning the war rumors, which for the last few days have been so industriously circulated, Under Foreign

Secretary Sir James Ferguson declares that his office is in receipt of no news which in any way gives cause for alarm. A despatch from Vienna announces that another military council has been called by the Emperor, and that Col. Zujeff, the Russian military representative here,

gone to St. Petersburg for consultation. Mr. Sexton's Charitable Resolution

DUBLIN, Dec. 9 .- Mr. Sexton has decided

not to have the usual Shrievalty banquet,

but, instead, to distribute £100 among the Armstrong Bros. & Co., Fall. [SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

GLASGOW, Dec. 9. - Armstrong Bros. & Co., the

largest operators in the iron ring, have failed,

Judge Rapallo was not quite so well yesterday

but he had a good rest last night. A call at the

house this morning showed that he was quite com-CONDENSED CITY NEWS.

William A. Purrington, counsel for the County Medical Scolety, caused the arrest of Midwife Bertha Moral, of 362 East Tenth street, on a charge of practising medicine without a diploma. Mrs. Moral pladed not guilty when arraigned at the Tombs this morning, but was held in \$300 to an-awer at Special Sessions.

charles W. Buga began suit in the United States Circuit Court to-day against the Commercial Tele-gram Company to set aside the increase of the company's capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,-000. He also asks that C. C. Brown, John Anderson, Edward B. Stokes and Thomas Pieming be made to account for any of, the increase of stock issued to them.

them.
David Wolf, aged nineteen years, attempted to commit suicide at his home, 227 Graham avenue, Brookiyn, just before miduight last night, by hanging limself to a clothes line, which he fastened in the wall of his bedroom. He was discovered by his father and cut down. An ambulance was summoned and the young man removed to the hospital. This morning at 5 o'clock he died.?

Mrs. Lawrence gave a let at her house, 57 East Mrs. Lawrence gave a tea at her house, 57 East Twenty-fifth street, yest fd-y afternoon, to introduce her daughter, Miss Mary Lawrence. She was assisted in receiving to Mas Smith, Miss Gilman, det. Miss Ruth Lawrence and Miss Gilman, Among those present noticeable were Mr and Mrs. Aspinwall, Mr. Rutherford, Mrs. John White, Misses Lulu and Helene Schenck, Miss Smedburg, Sydney Harris, Mrs. Judge Lawrence, Misses Alice and Rita Lawrence, and many others.

BLAINE'S LITTLE HOBBY. NINA VAN ZANDT NOT AN HEIRESS.

the Could Have Been, But Did Not Like th Way the Money Was Obtained. CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The following letter is

published in the Labor Enquirer this afternoon under date of 6th inst.:

under date of 6th inst.:

To the Editor:

I do not refute the hireling liars of the crasy jackal capitalistic press. In the first place, I never read these papers myself.

In the second, they are not worth answering, but I have just been told a tale rehashed by the scandal-mongers. To think there are people to read such stuff which I recognize as having originated in the hallicunations of a society madwoman to whom I am unioritunstely related.

Now I do not consider it in good taste to parade privale affairs before the public, but I wish to state once for all that the tale is unitrue. It is to the effect that I was helress to an estate owned by an aunt in Pittsburg and that upon my marriage was sammarily disinherited and left to pine.

Now when I joined hands in spirit—for a cowardly, petty, antocrat hireling murder variety did not permit us to see each other except through an iron network for eight weary, dreadful weeks afterwards—with my beloved husband he well knew that I brough him only myself with a wealth of affection, trust and reverence.

He knew that a number of years ago I had refused to pose as the prospective hetress to some property gained by methods of which I do not approve, and owned by a person whom I could not, knowing her, respect. Respectfully.

Nisa Van Zandr-Spies.

336 East Huron street. Joseph B. Buchanan, editor of the Enquirer, is the leading spirit in the Anarchist Relief Fund and the Knights of Labor re-

TWO CLEVER BURGLARS ESCAPE. William Lynch and John Williams Break [SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.] PITTSFIELD, Mass., Dec. 9.—The cleverest jail delivery Berkshire County ever knew

resulted last night in the release of two clever and skilful criminals who have been confined in Berkshire County prison. One of them, and he is the leader, is William Lynch, 6 feet % inch high, thirty-six years of age, white, light complexion, hair dark brown and thin, and gray eyes, left fore-finger between second and third joints and left little finger crook backward and

scarred.
His accomplice is John Williams, alias Wil-His accomplice is John Williams, alias Wilson, five feet high, twenty-six years of age, white, light complexion and black or dark brown hair, eyes gray or grayish hazel and has a scar on his forehead.

These men are professional cracksmen and experts in this line of business. They were arrested on Nov. 14, in the southern part of the county, where several stores, post-offices and depots had been entered, with considerable loss in each case.

It is supposed the men have gone north, hoping to reach Canada by keeping to the woods.

Stakes Returned to the Backers.

ISPECIAL TO THE WORLD. Boston, Dec. 9. - There is no longer any Carney McAuliffe stake money for these two pugilists to fight over, either in the ring or in the papers.
At 10 o'clock this morning James Ormond walked At 10 o'clock this morning states o'rmond warked into the Police News office and handed twenty-five crisp \$100 bills to Capt. A. W. Cook, who has represented Carney's backers in the wrangle which has been going on since the memorable seventy-four round fight.

At 2 o'clock Stakeholder Ormond is to meet Jimmy Colville and pay him the \$2,000 in the stake belonging to Jack McAuliffe's backers.

Sorry That Conkling is Out of Politics. (SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 9.— Ex-Congressman

Marston, of Exeter, on being approached by a correspondent on the matter of national politica correspondent on the matter of national politics spoke as follows: "I do not hesitate to say that if Roscoe Conkling was again an active worker in the party, as he formerly was, he would be my choice as the Republican candidate for the Presidency. As matters now stand, however, I would name shemman as a Republican nomines. Next, my preference would be Allison or Sheridan, both good, true and able men. I would be perfectly satisfied with Gen. Sheridan as our standard-bearer in loss.

Timothy Shea, of 15 Marion street, was probably fatally injured in Park row, near the south end of the Post-Office, at 3 P. M. to-day.

He was intoxicated and was endeavoring to sus

tain himself by a lamp-post, but lost his balance and fell in front of a wagon driven by Wm. A. Laux and owned by Funs & Wagonalis, the pub-lishers. His head was struck by the front wheel, and it is believed that his skull was fractured. Po-liceman arrested the driver and had Shea removed Jerry Hartigan, the well-known Democratic poli tician of the Fourth and Sixth wards, who is dying of consumption, had a relapse last night. His condition is very low to-day and it is not expected that

Prob Declares Against Ulsters.



WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—
Indications for the 24
hours, commencing at
8 P. M. to-day: For Connecticut warm, hiir weather; light to fresh winds.

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A TOWN DESTROYED.

Many Persons Killed by the Bavispe Earthquakes.

People Wild with Terror and Some of Them Are Starving.

The Provisions and Supplies Provided by States and Private Sources Exhausted-Streams Opened by the First Great Shocks are Still Flowing, But Inhabitants Too Frightened to Utilize the Water.

IRPRODAL TO THE WORLD, I NOGALES, Ari., Dec. 9.-A gentleman,

writing from the scene of the recent earthuakes at Bavispe, says the entire town has been destroyed and many persons killed.

The earthquakes have been of daily occurrence, except during intervals of two weeks. during which time the people built temporary shariles of refuge on the hills. During the cessation some adobe houses were erected, but were soon destroyed.

The people are wild with terror and are starving. The provisions and supplies received from public and private sources are exhausted, and the entire vicinity is destitute of provisions and clothing, and unless aid is furnished soon they may starve.

The streams opened by the first great shocks are still flowing, but the continued shocks and terror of the people prevent the utilization of this abundance of water for raising

STATESMEN AND THE TARIFF.

Mr. Randall Preparing a Scheme for Tariff Revision and Revenue Reduction [SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

Washington, Dec. 9.—Some of the free-

rade Democratic leaders are endeavoring to

force the rank and file in the lower House to agree to hold a caucus in order to force the Randall men to open revolt on the tariff While it is generally understood that the im-

While it is generally understood that the important tariff and revenue reduction of the session will come from the Ways and Means Committee, it is known that Mr. Randall is very carefully preparing a scheme of tariff revision and revenue reduction that he will offer as soon as he can complete it. He will take a sixty million-dollar reduction of the revenue as his basis, and divide the reduction about equally between the customs tariff and internal taxes.

The Virginia Democrats are much excited over the position of the President on the tobacco question. Governor Fitzhugh Lee says: "No action of Congress in respect to tobacco would make Virginia a very doubtful State in the Presidential election."

In spite of all that has been said, the friends of Representative Mills, of Texas, insist that he will be placed at the head of the Committee on Ways and Means. Speaker Carlisle, they say, has already recognized him as the leader of the majority by assigning to him the duty of making the routine motions which were made by Mr. Morrison in the last two Congresses.

Congressman McCreary, one of the Ken-

two Congresses.
Congressman McCreary, one of the Ken-tucky statesmen, yesterday proposed an amendment to the House rules so as to reamendment to the House rules so as to require all general appropriation bills to be reported within sixty days after the appointment of the standing committees at the first session and within forty days after the opening of the second session.

This is a proposed change upon which Congressman Randall is pretty certain to keep a sharp watch. It was the shrewd management of the appropriation bills in the last Congress which greatly aided Mr. Randall in his work of defeating the consideration of the Morrison tariff measure, and he will hardly be disposed to give the Kentucky free-trader a chance to tie his hands at the present session.

Young Footpads in Brooklyn. Footpads are at it again in Brooklyn. Last even ing Mrs. J. P. Smith, of 66 Lawrence street, was

walking along Washington street, when she met a

walking along Washington street, when she met a gang of young boys whose ages she says ranged from fourteen to sixteen years.

As she came up to them they moved to one side in order to let her pass. As she went past one of the lads seized hold of her watch-chain, and giving it a twist broke it off near the swivel. He then rushed away, followed by his companions. Charged with Robbing Old Mr. Bennett.

[SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]
PARMINGTON, Mc., Dec. 2.—Deputy Sheriff
Alonzo Sylvester and Asher D. Horn, of Farmington, arrived here early this morning with two men whom they arrested at Humford Centre, in Oxford County, on suspicion of committing the East New-port robbery in Bennett's house. The men are new in Farmington Jail, and it is said a large amount of the stolen property was found on their Robbed of His Pension Money. Patrick Higgins, an old soldier, has reported to the police of Brooklyn that while on his way home

from New York Monday evening he was knocked down at the corner of Fulton and Front streets by a man who robbed him of his pocketbook cantain-ing his pension money, \$25, and some G. A. H. papers. He could give no description of his as-saliant. He Lent Government Money. Collector Magone has dismissed Thomas W. Rob ertson, who had charge of the Sample Department

of the Public Stores, for lending to employees Gov-ernment money. Four of the borrowers were sug-TELEGRAPHIC NEWS IN BRIEF.

George Gould and party have arrived in Omaha, on their way to New York. Martin Cleary, the senior member of the well-known Philadelphia coal firm of Martin Cleary & Son, was run over by a coal train yesterday after-noon and instantly killed.

Reports from Fairport, O., are again alarming. Strikers and foreigners are all drunk, and serious trouble is feared. Two hundred soldlers have been ordered from Cleveland to Fairport.

At the meeting of the Republican National Co-mittee in Washington yesterday afternoon it w decided to hold the Republican National Conve-tion of 1888 in Chicago, on Tuesday, June 19. tion of 1888 in Chicago, on Tuesday, June 19.

An epidemic of typhoid fever has broken out in College Hall as Williams College, occupied by about fifty students. The students have vacated the premises, many of them being seriously iii. The wife of James D. Carson, the millionaire President of the Chicago and Western Indiana Railroad, has petitioned the Chicago courts for a divorce, on account of her husband's alleged cruelty and infidelity.